



Tuesday 8th July 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

End of Term and September Arrangements

I am writing to confirm the arrangements for the end of this academic year as well as our plans for the week beginning Monday 1st September 2025.

This academic year ends on Tuesday 22nd July 2025 with students finishing at the end of period 4 (1.20pm). Students will follow their normal timetable of periods 1, 2 and 3 before going to tutor time at 12.20pm; they will be registered before attending a Whole School Assembly in the Sports Hall to celebrate our key achievements from this academic year. If your son/daughter travels by school bus then these will leave at 1.40pm from our designated bus stops. For any student requiring lunch before going home, there will be the option to order a packed lunch before school and at break time which will be ready for collection at 1.15pm.

There are a number of key staffing changes to inform you of in advance of the new academic year:

- **Mr Wilson** is joining us as Deputy Headteacher for Curriculum and Standards.
- **Mrs Wigley** will be starting as Assistant Headteacher for Teaching and Learning.
- **Mr Briggs** is relinquishing his Senior Leadership Team duties however, is continuing to teach Art part time from September. Therefore, **Mr Snowdon** has been promoted to Assistant Headteacher for Personal Development, Transition and Stakeholder Voice.
- **Mr Margetts** and **Mrs Stuart** retire at the end of this academic year. We are very grateful for all they have done in their time in our school. Between them they have over 40 years' service!
- **Miss Palmiero** takes over as Head of History from September following the retirement of Mr Margetts.
- **Ms Freebourne** is also moving on to pastures new; we wish her well for her future endeavours.
- In relation to the Pastoral Team, there are the following changes:
 - **Mr Sharpe** and **Mrs Dougan** will take over Year 8 having overseen Year 11 this year.
 - **Miss Young** has been promoted into the Head of Year 9 with **Mrs Mawer** remaining as their Assistant Head of Year.
 - **Mr Taylor** has been promoted to Key Stage 4 Pastoral Lead and will oversee both Years 10 and 11 with **Mrs Mazza** and **Miss Barron** supporting him respectively as Assistant Heads of Year.
- Following the promotion of Miss Young, **Mrs Dove** has been promoted to 2nd in department for PE.

We will have a staggered start to the new academic year from Wednesday 3rd September 2025; this will be as follows:

- **Year 7** will start on **Wednesday 3rd September 2025** – students need to arrive between 8.15 and 8.25am and line up on the Tennis Courts. They will be met by their Tutor, Head of Year (Miss Bradley), Assistant Head of Year (Miss Larsson) and the Senior Leadership Team. They will be with their Tutor for periods 1 and 2 before going to their normal timetabled lessons. Please note that students **will not** need to have their PE kit with them until Friday that week.
- **Year 12** will start on **Wednesday 3rd September 2025** – students need to arrive between 8.15 and 8.25am and go straight to the Garner Lecture Theatre in M Block for a welcome assembly before having time with their Tutor to resolve any enrolment questions. Students will then be free to leave at break time before returning for their timetabled lessons on Monday 8th September 2025. They are therefore not expected in school on Thursday or Friday; this is to ensure we have all subject choices correct in our timetabling system.
- **Years 8, 9, 10 and 11** will start on **Thursday 4th September 2025** – they are expected to arrive between 8.15am and 8.25am. Year 8 students are to line up on the Tennis Courts. They will be met by their Tutor, Head of Year (Mr Sharpe) and Assistant Head of Year (Mrs Dougan) as well as the Senior Leadership Team. Students in Years 9, 10 and 11 will go straight to their tutor bases; a confirmation of the room will be sent to you before the start of term. Students will have periods 1 and 2 with their Tutor before going to timetabled lessons periods 3, 4 and 5. PE kit **is not** required on the first day of the academic year other than for those students in Years 10 and 11 who study GCSE Dance.
- **Year 13** will start on **Thursday 4th September 2025** – they are expected to arrive between 8.15am and 8.25am and go straight to their tutor room. Students will have periods 1 and 2 with their Tutor, as well as welcome back assembly, before going to timetabled lessons periods 3, 4 and 5.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and happy summer. We look forward to welcoming the students back in September for another busy and successful academic year.

Yours sincerely



Mrs K Foster
Headteacher